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housing programs and services,

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421 King Street, Suite 215 Alexandria, VA 22314 703.746.4990 alexandriava.gov/housing

Para obtener más información en español, llame 703.746.4990 y presione opción número 1.

#### HOMEBUYER RESOURCES

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### Homeownership Assistance Loans and Affordable Homeownership Units

Offers no-interest, deferred payment loans for downpayment and/or closing cost assistance toward the purchase of City-assisted properties.

Eligibility: Low- and moderate-income first-time

homebuyers earning up to 100% AMI

(see income limits on page 2)

Contact: Vicente Espinoza | 703.746.3087

vicente.espinoza@alexandriava.gov

#### **Reduced Interest Financing**

Provides access to funds that reduce mortgage interest rates for Virginia Housing financing through the Sponsoring Partnerships and Revitalizing Communities (SPARC) program.

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homebuyers earning up to 100% AMI

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#### **Homebuyer Counseling**

Free homebuyer counseling and education in English and Spanish provide first-time homebuyers access to Virginia Housing's below-market interest rates and the City's home purchase assistance loans.

Contact: Virginia Housing, 877-843-2123

vhda.com (see <u>Homebuyer</u> Tab)

#### HOUSING MASTER PLAN

To learn more about the City's *housing for all* policies, affordable housing goals, and implementation tools and programs, visit <u>alexandriava.gov/HousingPlan</u>.

# **EXPERIENCING A HOUSING CRISIS?**

Call 703.746.5700

Text 703.346.5599

Visit alexandriava.gov/DCHS

#### RENTER RESOURCES

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#### **Affordable Rental Units**

Provides information on affordable rental resources.

Check out our 2021 Apartment Survey at alexandriava.gov/housing (Renter Resources) to compare apartment complexes across the City.

For other options, including **accessible** rentals, in Virginia, also visit virginiahousingsearch.com.

### Landlord-Tenant and Housing Counseling Services

Assists with housing-related disputes between landlords and tenants and provides housing counseling services.

Eligibility: All city renters

Contact: Gwen Lassiter | 703.746.3086

gwen.lassiter@alexandriava.gov

Goodman Okpara | 703.746.3080
goodman.okpara@alexandriava.gov

### Public Housing and Housing Choice (Section 8) Vouchers

The Alexandria Housing Redevelopment Authority (ARHA) owns and manages public housing in the City and administers housing choice vouchers

Contact: **Janell Diaz**, 703.549.7115 ext. 173

401 Wythe Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

arha.us

#### **Relocation Assistance**

Provides information to landlords and tenants regarding housing relocation policies and options.

Eligibility: All city renters

Contact: Virginia Patton | 703.746.3083

virginia.patton@alexandriava.gov

#### **Rental Accessibility Modification Program**

Offers grants up to \$50,000 to qualified renters with physical disabilities to make accessibility modifications. "Mini-grants" assist with modifications up to \$1,500.

Eligibility: Low-income renters with disabilities

earning up to 80% of AMI

(see income limits on page 2)

Contact: Brandi Collins | 703.746.3084

brandi.collins@alexandriava.gov

## DO I QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE?

Households must meet income requirements to qualify for certain City housing programs. Income limits vary by program and household size and are based on regional median incomes calculated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Please see the table on the right for the 2021 income limits.

% of Area Median Income	2021 Annual Income Limits by Household Size				
(AMI)	1-person	2-person	3-person	4-person	5-person*
30% of AMI	\$27,100	\$31,000	\$34,850	\$38,700	\$41,800
40% of AMI	\$36,120	\$41,280	\$46,440	\$51,600	\$55,760
50% of AMI	\$45,150	\$51,600	\$58,050	\$64,500	\$69,700
60% of AMI	\$54,180	\$61,920	\$69,660	\$77,400	\$83,640
HUD 80%	\$57,650	\$65,850	\$74,100	\$82,300	\$88,900
80% of AMI	\$72,240	\$82,560	\$92,880	\$103,200	\$111,520
100% of AMI	\$90,300	\$103,200	\$116,100	\$129,000	\$139,400
Source: HUD; Office of Housing *Income limits are also available for 6+ person households					

#### HOMEOWNER RESOURCES alexandriava.gov/97057

#### Home Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP)

Offers no-interest, deferred payment loans up to \$135,000 (up to \$75,000 for condos) to address code violations, structural problems, lead remediation, energy improvements, and other repairs.

Eligibility: Low- and moderate-income

homeowners earning up to 80% AMI

(see income limits)

Contact: Arthur Thomas | 703.746.3091

arthur.thomas@alexandriava.gov

#### **Counseling and Training**

Offers resource and referral services, as well as counseling, on a range of issues including financial management, personal budgeting, default and delinquency, foreclosure prevention, and rights and responsibilities related to ownership in a condominium and community association.

Eligibility: All city residents

Contact: Vicente Espinoza | 703.746.3087

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To learn about the City's Real Estate Tax Relief Programs for Elderly and Disabled Persons and Veterans with 100% Service-Connected Disability, visit alexandriava.gov/TaxRelief or call 703.746.3901 (select Option 6).

#### HOUSING DISCRIMINATION RESOURCES

#### Office of Human Rights

The City's Office of Human Rights enforces antidiscrimination laws by investigating alleged discrimination in a range of areas, including:

- the sale or rental of housing
- · housing advertising
- disability accommodations or modifications
- loans for the purchase, building, renovation, or repair of housing

Contact: Miladis Martinez Gutierrez, 703.746.3140

alexandriava.gov/humanrights

#### Fair Housing Testing

Conducts fair housing testing for discrimination in the rental and sales housing markets and in mortgage lending.

Contact: Goodman Okpara | 703.746.3080 goodman.okpara@alexandriava.gov

#### **Training for Realtors and Property Managers**

Provides training seminars on fair housing laws to real estate and property management companies.

Contact: Melodie Seau | 703.746.3078

melodie.seau@alexandriava.gov

#### OTHER HOUSING RESOURCES

#### **Homelessness Prevention and Rent Relief**

#### **Department of Community and Human Services**

- Homeless Services Assessment Center serves as the point of entry for those seeking emergency shelter or facing homelessness.
- Office of Community Services provides rental assistance to eligible, low-income persons facing a housing crisis.

To request services, call 703.746.5700 or text 703.346.5599. For more information, visit alexandriava.gov/DCHS.

#### **Shelters**

#### **Alexandria Community Shelter**

2355-B Mill Road, Alexandria, VA 22314 703.746.3660

<u>Carpenter's Shelter</u> (including David's Place Day Shelter, and Winter Shelter)

930 N. Henry Street, Alexandria, VA 22314 703.548.7500

#### **Home Repair Services**

**Rebuilding Together** provides free home repairs, safety modifications, and energy efficiency improvements to eligible homeowners. For more information, call 703.836.1021 or visit rebuildingtogetherdca.org.

#### Fuel Assistance

The **Virginia Department of Social Services** assists low-income households through the Fuel Assistance Program. Apply through DCHS or visit <u>dss.virginia.gov/benefit/ea</u>.

#### **Legal Assistance in Eviction Prevention**

#### Legal Services of Northern Virginia

LSNV staff and volunteers provide legal advice and representation in administrative hearings and in court to low-income households. For information, visit Isnv.org or call 703.778.6800.

#### Alexandria Eviction Prevention Partnership (AEPP)

For information, call 571.351.3272 or email volunteerAEPP@alive-inc.org